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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Final Office Action mailed October 30, 2007, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.116, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Concurrently submitted herewith are the following: (i) a Petition for Extension of Time for three months, from January 31, 2008 up to and including April 30, 2008, with authorization to pay the fee due (in duplicate); and (ii) a Request for Continued Examination Transmittal.

It is estimated that no additional fees are required for filing this Amendment. However, if the Patent Office determines otherwise, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fees to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins at page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin at page 4 of this paper.